

Hampton, NH

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Municipal Office Hours

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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Rockingham
Portsmouth NH-ME Metro-NECTA, NH Portion
Seacoast
Rockingham
Coastal Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

District 1
District 3
District 24
Rockingham County District 15

Incorporated: 1639

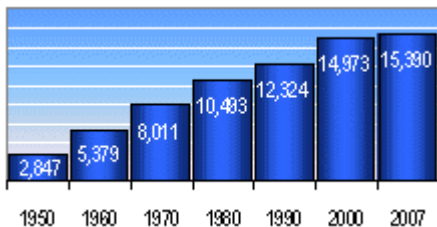
Origin: First called Winnacunnet, the Indian name for "pleasant pines," Hampton was one of four original New Hampshire towns established by the Massachusetts government. In 1638, the area, which included land now in Seabrook, Kensington, Danville, Kingston, East Kingston, Sandown, North Hampton, South Hampton, Hampton Falls, and Great Boar's Head, was settled by a group of parishioners led by Reverend Stephen Bachiler. The Reverend had previously preached in Hampton, England, and the town was incorporated as Hampton in 1639. Poet John Greenleaf Whittier was a direct descendant of Reverend Bachiler. Construction of the railroad in the 1850s made Hampton's oceanfront a popular resort.

Villages and Place Names: Coffins Mill, Eastman Point, Elmwood Corners, Great Boars Head, Hampton Beach, Hampton Landing, North Beach, Plaice Cove, Smith Colony, The Five Corners, The Plantation, The Willows



Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 853 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Hampton totaled 12,126 over 50 years, the 11th largest numeric change, from 2,847 in 1950 to 14,973 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was an 89 percent increase between 1950 and 1960. The 2007 Census estimate for Hampton was 15,390 residents, which ranked 16th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Population Density and Land Area (NH Office of Energy & Planning): 1,100.4 persons per square mile of land area, the seventh highest among the cities and towns. Hampton contains 13.8 square miles of land area and 0.4 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

| | |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Type of Government | Selectmen |
| Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2006 | \$24,302,591 |
| Budget: School Appropriations, | not available |
| Zoning Ordinance | 1949/06 |
| Master Plan | 2005 |
| Capital Improvement Plan | Yes |
| Industrial Plans Reviewed By | Planning Board |

Boards and Commissions

| | |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Elected: | Selectmen; Planning; Zoning; Library; Cemetery; Trust Funds; Budget |
| Appointed: | Conservation; Heritage; Shade Tree; Highway Safety; Leased Land Real Estate; Recreation; Cable TV; USS Hampton; Insurance Review |

Public Library **Lane Memorial****EMERGENCY SERVICES**

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Police Department | Full-time |
| Fire Department | Full-time |
| Town Fire Insurance Rating | 3 |
| Emergency Medical Service | Municipal |
| Nearest Hospital(s) | Distance Staffed Beds |
| Exeter Hospital, Exeter | 8 miles 100 |

UTILITIES

| | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Electric Supplier | Unitil; PSNH |
| Natural Gas Supplier | Northern Utilities |
| Water Supplier | Aquarion Water Company NH |
| Sanitation | Municipal |
| Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant | Yes |
| Solid Waste Disposal | |
| Curbside Trash Pickup | Municipal |
| Pay-As-You-Throw Program | No |
| Recycling Program | Voluntary |
| Telephone Company | Fairpoint |
| Cellular Telephone Access | Yes |
| Cable Television Access | Yes |
| Public Access Television Station | Yes |
| High Speed Internet Service: | Business Residential |
| | Yes Yes |

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

| | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| 2007 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value) | \$19.79 |
| 2007 Equalization Ratio | 75.8 |
| 2007 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value) | \$14.85 |
| 2007 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type | |
| Residential Land and Buildings | 85.3% |
| Commercial Land and Buildings | 12.9% |
| Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other | 1.8% |

HOUSING SUPPLY (NH Office of Energy and Planning)

| | |
|------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 2007 Total Housing Units | 9873 |
| 2007 Single-Family Units | 5,391 |
| Residential Permits, Net Change of Units | 8 |
| 2007 Multi-Family Units | 4,204 |
| Residential Permits, Net Change of Units | -5 |
| 2007 Manufactured Housing Units | 278 |

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

| | | |
|------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Total Population | Community | County |
| 2007 | 15,390 | 296,543 |
| 2000 | 14,973 | 278,748 |
| 1990 | 12,324 | 246,744 |
| 1980 | 10,493 | 190,345 |
| 1970 | 8,011 | 138,951 |

Census 2000 Demographics

| | | | |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------|-------------------|
| Population by Gender | | | |
| Male | 7,256 | Female | 7,681 |
| Population by Age Group | | | |
| Under age 5 | | | 886 |
| Age 5 to 19 | | | 2,564 |
| Age 20 to 34 | | | 2,411 |
| Age 35 to 54 | | | 5,136 |
| Age 55 to 64 | | | 1,741 |
| Age 65 and over | | | 2,199 |
| Median Age | | | 41.1 years |

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| High school graduate or higher | 90.9% |
| Bachelor's degree or higher | 36.3% |

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(US Census Bureau)

| | |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Per capita income | \$29,878 |
| Median 4-person family income | \$66,000 |
| Median household income | \$54,419 |
| Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers | |
| Male | \$46,727 |
| Female | \$31,695 |
| Families below the poverty level | 4.5% |

LABOR FORCE

(NHES - ELMI)

| | | |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Annual Average | 1997 | 2007 |
| Civilian labor force | 7,399 | 9,405 |
| Employed | 7,126 | 9,063 |
| Unemployed | 273 | 342 |
| Unemployment rate | 3.7% | 3.6% |

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

(NHES - ELMI)

| | | |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Annual Average Covered Employment | 1997 | 2007 |
| Goods Producing Industries | | |
| Average Employment | 1,319 | 966 |
| Average Weekly Wage | \$809 | \$932 |
| Service Providing Industries | | |
| Average Employment | 3,619 | 4,033 |
| Average Weekly Wage | \$649 | \$1,697 |
| Total Private Industry | | |
| Average Employment | 4,939 | 4,999 |
| Average Weekly Wage | \$692 | \$1,549 |
| Government (Federal, State, and Local) | | |
| Average Employment | 930 | 1,095 |
| Average Weekly Wage | \$564 | \$766 |
| Total, Private Industry plus Government | | |
| Average Employment | 5,868 | 6,094 |
| Average Weekly Wage | \$671 | \$1,408 |

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Hampton operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are part of Winnacunnet Cooperative (Hampton, Hampton Falls, North Hampton, Seabrook)** District: **SAU 21**

Career Technology Center(s): **Seacoast School of Technology, Exeter** Region: **18**

| Educational Facilities | Elementary | Middle/Junior High | High School | Private/Parochial |
|------------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Number of Schools | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Grade Levels | P K 1-5 | 6-8 | 9-12 | K 1-12 |
| Total Enrollment | 774 | 457 | 1,314 | 367 |

NH Licensed Child Care Facilities, 2008: Total Facilities: **8** Total Capacity: **322**

Nearest Community College: **Great Bay**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **University of NH; McIntosh**

| LARGEST BUSINESSES | PRODUCT/SERVICE | EMPLOYEES | ESTABLISHED |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Foss Manufacturing Co. of NH | Auto, marine carpet | 190 | |
| Brazonics | Electroplating | 100 | 1996 |
| QA Tech Co., Inc. | Spring contact probes | 25 | 1983 |
| Unitil | Electric utility | | |
| Waste Management Inc. | Waste management service | | |
| Wheelabrator Technologies Inc | Renewable energy generating Co | | |
| Infor Global Solutions | Computer software | | |

TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

| | | |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| Road Access | US Routes | 1 |
| | State Routes | 1A, 27, 101E, 151 |
| Nearest Interstate, Exit | | I-95, Exit 2 |
| | Distance | Local access |
| Railroad | | Boston & Maine |
| Public Transportation | | No |
| Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation | | |
| Hampton Airfield | Runway | 2,100 ft. turf |
| Lighted? Yes | Navigation Aids? | No |
| Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service | | |
| Manchester-Boston Regional | Distance | 40 miles |
| Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport | | 8 |
| Driving distance to select cities: | | |
| Manchester, NH | | 37 miles |
| Portland, Maine | | 63 miles |
| Boston, Mass. | | 46 miles |
| New York City, NY | | 258 miles |
| Montreal, Quebec | | 292 miles |

COMMUTING TO WORK (US Census Bureau)

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|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Workers 16 years and over | |
| Drove alone, car/truck/van | 84.7% |
| Carpooled, car/truck/van | 5.4% |
| Public transportation | 1.4% |
| Walked | 2.3% |
| Other means | 1.7% |
| Worked at home | 4.5% |
| Mean Travel Time to Work | 28.8 minutes |
| Percent of Working Residents: | |
| Working in community of residence | 26% |
| Commuting to another NH community | 48% |
| Commuting out-of-state | 26% |

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

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| X | Municipal Parks |
| | YMCA/YWCA |
| | Boys Club/Girls Club |
| | Golf Courses |
| | Swimming: Indoor Facility |
| | Swimming: Outdoor Facility |
| X | Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility |
| X | Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility |
| | Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility |
| | Bowling Facilities |
| X | Museums |
| X | Cinemas |
| X | Performing Arts Facilities |
| X | Tourist Attractions |
| X | Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H) |
| X | Youth Sports: Baseball |
| X | Youth Sports: Soccer |
| X | Youth Sports: Football |
| X | Youth Sports: Basketball |
| | Youth Sports: Hockey |
| X | Campgrounds |
| X | Fishing/Hunting |
| X | Boating/Marinas |
| | Snowmobile Trails |
| | Bicycle Trails |
| | Cross Country Skiing |
| X | Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area |
| | Overnight or Day Camps |
| | Nearest Ski Area(s): McIntyre, Bradford (MA) |
| | Other: Indoor Soccer Arena; Hampton Beach State Park; Hampton State Pier; Annual Seafood Festival |